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- 1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 2. Search report of the German Patent and Trademark Office dated May 31, 2005.
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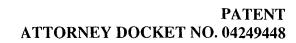
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Supplementing the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 6, 2004, Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the document listed on the attached PTO-1449. A copy of two German patents are enclosed, as well as English abstracts of each. A copy of the Search Report of the German Patent and Trademark Office dated May 31, 2005, is also enclosed. Each item of information was first cited in a communication received from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed document and evidence that consideration of relevant portions thereof by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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of a first Office Action on the merits of this application and, therefore, the appropriate fee is

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